

Senate Resolution 364

By: Senators Miles of the 43rd, Henson of the 41st, Adelman of the 42nd, Stoner of the 6th, Harbison of the 15th and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Commending Jack and Jill of America, Inc.; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., a family organization founded in 1938 in
3 Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, provides for the educational, social, cultural, and recreational
4 enrichment of African American youth; and

5 WHEREAS, Jack and Jill of America have four chapters in metro Atlanta, which include
6 Atlanta, its northern suburbs, Stone Mountain, and Fayette County along with chapters all
7 over the State of Georgia, including Savannah, Albany, Augusta, Macon, Griffin,
8 Peach/Houston County, Athens, and Columbus; and

9 WHEREAS, the Southeast Region of Jack and Jill of America has benefitted from the
10 excellent leadership provided by Marjorie Belton of Fairburn, Georgia, who serves as the
11 Southeast Regional Director; Dr. Dee Taylor, who was the founding president of the Stone
12 Mountain Chapter, which was launched in 1985; State Senator Steen Miles, District 43, who
13 was Stone Mountain's third president and served two terms; and Dr. Marilyn Lineberger, its
14 current president; and

15 WHEREAS, Jack and Jill of America creates a legacy of leadership and service for children
16 to follow, and some of the finest African American families in the nation and the State of
17 Georgia have been or are members of the organizations, namely the families of Congressman
18 John Lewis, Mayor Shirley Franklin, Juanita and Greg Baranco, late Mayor Maynard and
19 Valerie Jackson, State Representative Billy Mitchell, Hank and Billie Aaron, Dr. and Mrs.
20 Charles Atkins, Veronica Biggins, Judge Glenda Hatchett, Julian Bond, Thomas Cuffie,
21 Ambassador Andrew Young, and many others; and

22 WHEREAS, teenagers in the organization excel in oratorical contests, academics, sports, and
23 other creative pursuits during an annual regional and teen conference; and

1 WHEREAS, monthly activities are developed to ensure quality family time for all age groups
2 in cultural, educational, social, and recreational pursuits; and

3 WHEREAS, the young people who have graduated from Jack and Jill of America have many
4 exemplary achievements to their names in the fields of law, medicine, science,
5 entrepreneurialism, corporate America, entertainment, media, and sports.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
7 join in commending the outstanding work of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., and extend their
8 sincere best wishes for the continued success of this invaluable organization.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
10 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Jack and Jill of America, Inc.